

Uniformed Men Freed After War On 'Bolsheviki'

Magistrate Huth Refuses to Hold Soldiers and Sailors Accused of Breaking Up Meeting of Socialists Police Join in the Battle

Radicals in Court Object to the Discharge of Prisoners and Are Thrown Out

Four soldiers and two sailors, prisoners taken by police reserves from among a party of forty or fifty uniformed men who had carried on a brief but violent private war against what they called Bolshevism in the vicinity of Fifth Avenue and 110th Street Saturday night were arraigned yesterday in Harlem Court. After a brief hearing Magistrate Cornelius Huth discharged them all, an action which threatened a renewal of hostilities right in the courtroom.

Socialists who had mauled the veteran warriors and been mauled in turn objected to the decision and were very on active belligerency when a police detail appeared and ejected them. The first engagement was started by a dozen men in uniform who undertook to break up two Socialist meetings at Fifth Avenue and 110th Street. They said the speakers were preaching sedition. Rushing upon one speaker whom they held to be particularly obnoxious, they were dragging him from the room when they were attacked by the men and women present. Outnumbered they were thrown out of the hall finally after most of them had been badly beaten.

They Seek Reinforcements
Undaunted, they hailed passing automobiles and spent the succeeding hour rounding up recruits. Forty odd were enlisted for the purpose of breaking these reinforcements the original combatants returned to the meeting hall in a fleet of taxis. But the hall was dark. Somebody there suggested that the Assembly be held in the hall of the hotel at 1540 Madison Avenue, and the war was carried there.

By this time the neighborhood was thronged with men and women out to watch the progress of the fighting. With shouts of "Get the Bolsheviki!" the attacking party assailed the few Socialists at the headquarters. The men were driven out, and the women were rapidly reducing the quarters to a mass of debris when police reserves from the 104th Street station arrived.

By this time the crowds of spectators were so dense that the police had to use clubs to open a passage to the rooms in which the Socialists were still suffering punishment. Police Captain James Grady ordered a mass attack, and the fight became general. Every time a policeman took a prisoner he was attacked and the police released. Heads were clubbed indiscriminately. Patrolman P. J. Grealis collapsed under a blow, and Captain Albert Gluckin, who went to his assistance, was forced to retreat by force of numbers.

Police in Half-Hour Battle
The battle raged half an hour before the police gained control. It was then found that of the attacking party only six remained in the hands of the police. These were John Deane, twenty-four years old, of New Haven, Conn., a discharged soldier; Harry Phillips, twenty-two, a sailor of the U. S. S. "Platburg"; Walter Brandle, eighteen, a sailor attached to the U. S. S. "Louis"; Patrick Murray, twenty-nine, a soldier from Camp Merritt; Alexander Greenlick, nineteen, a soldier from Camp Mills; and George McQuade, twenty, of 15 East Forty-first Street, a discharged soldier.

The prisoners told Magistrate Huth the trouble started in the Socialist meeting when they objected to statements deemed seditious. Policemen who had participated in the late attack at the Madison Avenue headquarters told the judge the Socialists were shouting slogans of the violence of the fighting, gave their side. The magistrate declined to sustain the charges of disorderly conduct, and thereupon his courtroom became very much with shouts of objections and demands for the punishment of the prisoners. These ceased only when a police detail appeared and cleared the court, while the six discharged prisoners disappeared.

11 Youths Arrested in Coney Street Fight

Eleven young men were arrested yesterday following the biggest free-for-all fight Coney Island has had this season. Five of them were youths on their way to early mass who had responded to cries for help that Max Marquies, of 109 Second Street, had set up when half a dozen men pounced on him at Surf Avenue and West Twenty-second Street.

Ten were arrested then and there, as fast as the police could pull them out of the tangle of blows. The eleventh, Samuel Levine, of 21 West 10th Avenue, Brooklyn, was arrested when he went to the police station to arrange for bail for his brother Gilbert.

Levine was charged with felonious assault, some of the allegations identifying them as men who had drawn knives during the affray. The charge against the others is disorderly conduct. Gerard Cohen, of 533 Forty-eighth Street, Brooklyn, was stabbed in the side and taken to Coney Island Hospital. Half a dozen others required medical attention, two of them for stab wounds.

Ferry Companies Warn Motorists to Obey Law

Deckhands on ferriesboats in New York harbor are handing out a printed warning to the drivers of each motor vehicle transported on the boats, giving a list of the requirements of Federal laws regarding lights on cars, running of motor while on ferryboat, smoking of cigarettes, etc. The warning said it was said to frequent violations, largely responsible for confusion of pilots at night. The warning follows:

"United States laws require auto vehicles to comply with the following: Engine must be stopped as soon as automobile has reached its place on the boat and must not be started until immediately before automobile leaves the boat.

"Smoking or open lights of any kind forbidden.

"Head lights must not show over the forward end of the boat nor tail lights over the after end.

"Subsequent transportation may be refused vehicles that violate these laws."

City's Air

JOSEPH DAGARO shot himself in the head yesterday at his home, 103 Sackett Street, Brooklyn, and was taken to Long Island College Hospital a prisoner. The police explained that although it was not a crime, it was a crime, still the charge of violation of the Sullivan law could be made against such a person as he was reckless enough to use an unlicensed revolver for the purpose. That is what Dagaro is alleged to have done.

Neighbors told the police that Dagaro's daughter was married yesterday and he had become morose because the bride did not invite him to ride in her carriage.

Briefs

Joseph Heller, of Hilton, N. Y., whose truck killed Lily Paul, even in Rutgers Place, was held without bail on a charge of homicide.

P. W. Ayer, of the Northern Baptist Laymen's National Committee, announces the

Rohlf's Discovers "Temperature Lid" 34,200 Feet in Air

New World's Altitude Mark Is Reached in Unofficial Flight: Temperature of 44 Below Is Experienced

Roland Rohlf's soared to a new world's altitude record in his Curtiss "wasp" at Roosevelt Field, Mineola, Saturday, he announced last night. Rohlf's flew to a height of 34,200 feet, but because their were no officials present to seal his instruments the record is not official. The aviator is confident, however, he can repeat or better his performance under official auspices and promises soon to make a try at it.

The standing official altitude record is 33,136 feet, credited to Adjutant Cassle of the French army. In July Rohlf's made an official flight of 30,700 feet. He was prevented from flying higher on that occasion by the chilling of his motor. Since then, his shutters have been fitted on the "wasp's" radiator.

Rohlf's observations during Saturday flight disclosed a "temperature lid" at 41,000 feet, at which point his thermometer registered a minimum of 44 degrees below zero. Then it began to grow warmer, showing 40 degrees below at 34,200 feet.

The American Flying Club gave official recognition yesterday to the world's altitude record, with recognition of 25,000 feet established by Major Randolph W. Schriener, of Dayton, Ohio, September 6, Captain Lang of the Royal Air Force, previously held the official two-man altitude record with 23,000 feet.

Major Schriener used a Leonaire biplane equipped with a 400-horsepower Liberty motor. His record climb was made in 25 minutes, and the device which was invented during the war, but which was perfected only recently.

"These winds at various extreme levels will follow following courses suitable to a direct air international trade route, and this can be utilized to great advantage in aerial commerce," Major Schriener holds. The official one-man altitude record, having reached a height of 23,000 feet in a Bristol biplane at Wilbur Wright Field, Dayton, 18, 1918. It is believed his two-man record-making flight was a preliminary to another attempt at the one-man record in a machine equipped with the supercharger.

The supercharger, or super-compressor, as it is also called, utilizes the exhaust gases of the engine to operate a small centrifugal airblower which forces a combustible air stream into the engine at a constant pressure about equal to the normal suction of the motor at sea level pressure, and thus maintains the functioning of the engine as when it is driven at sea level.

In the future, said Clarence M. Vought, chairman of the contest committee of the American Flying Club, "airplanes equipped with these super-compressors will be able to attain heights hitherto regarded as unobtainable levels at which are found constant trade winds."

Calder Urges Increase in Police Pay at Once

Congratulates Commissioner Enright on City's Having "Best Force in World"

Senator Calder wrote yesterday to Police Commissioner Enright congratulating him upon a police force "undoubtedly the best in the world," and suggesting that he ask the city immediately for an increase in pay for policemen. The responsibility borne by policemen, he said, made first-class men necessary, but first-class men could not be obtained for third-class pay.

"Organized government must have a body of fearless men," he wrote, "who can stand up to the most vicious and lawless of criminals and who will enforce the law at peril of their lives in time of great public stress. But while there is an obligation on the part of the police to maintain the peace, there is also an obligation equally as great upon the community to see that its police force is not imposed upon and that it is given a living wage."

"The responsibility for maintaining an efficient police force is chargeable primarily to the people themselves. We cannot expect men to give the best that is in them unless their services are appreciated, and if we are to preserve this force at its present excellent condition, we must receive a substantial increase and at once."

"While I am writing you on this matter, may I urge you to lay before the city authorities the necessity of considering immediately an increase in the compensation of the men of your department."

Box Factories to Reopen

Employers Agree to Arbitrate With the Strikers

Paper box factories in New York and New Jersey, most of which have been closed by a strike for three weeks, will reopen this morning, it was announced yesterday, following a conference of the manufacturers in the Hotel McAlpin. They agreed to arbitrate the workers' demands for shorter hours and an increase in pay, but refused to recognize the union.

The manufacturers contend the strike was brought about by agitators who hoped to get work as strike breakers at \$10 a day. Some of the workers demanded a 44-hour week and pay of \$1 an hour.

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A short summary for busy readers

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A Life's Story

"Mary Olivier—a Life," by May Sinclair, is an unusual book, as it tells the story of a woman's life from the time she is two years old until she is forty-seven. \$2.

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The story of two young English women who are worn out with war work and decide to recreate themselves with a journey to the utmost ends of the earth. They come to the United States, then